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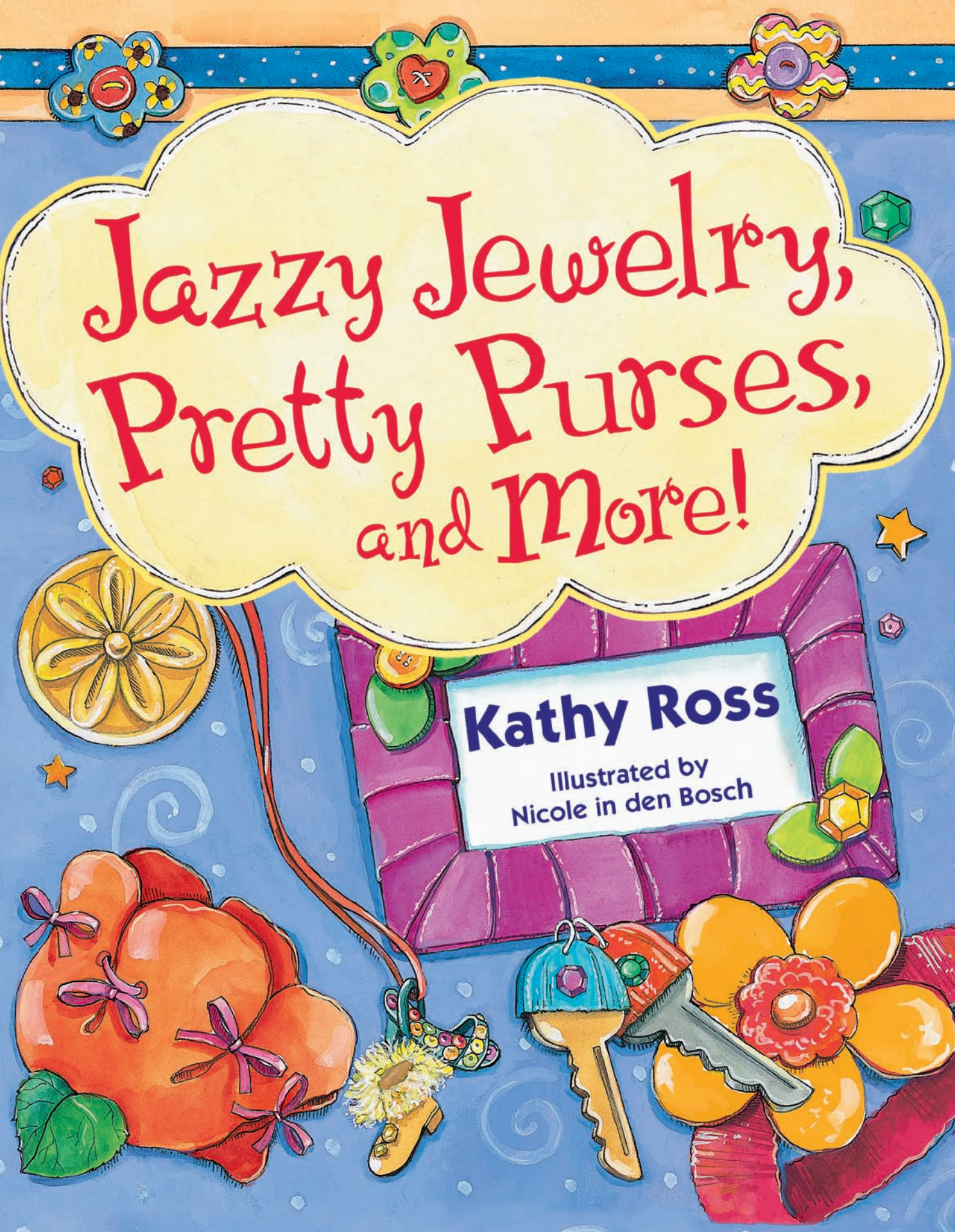
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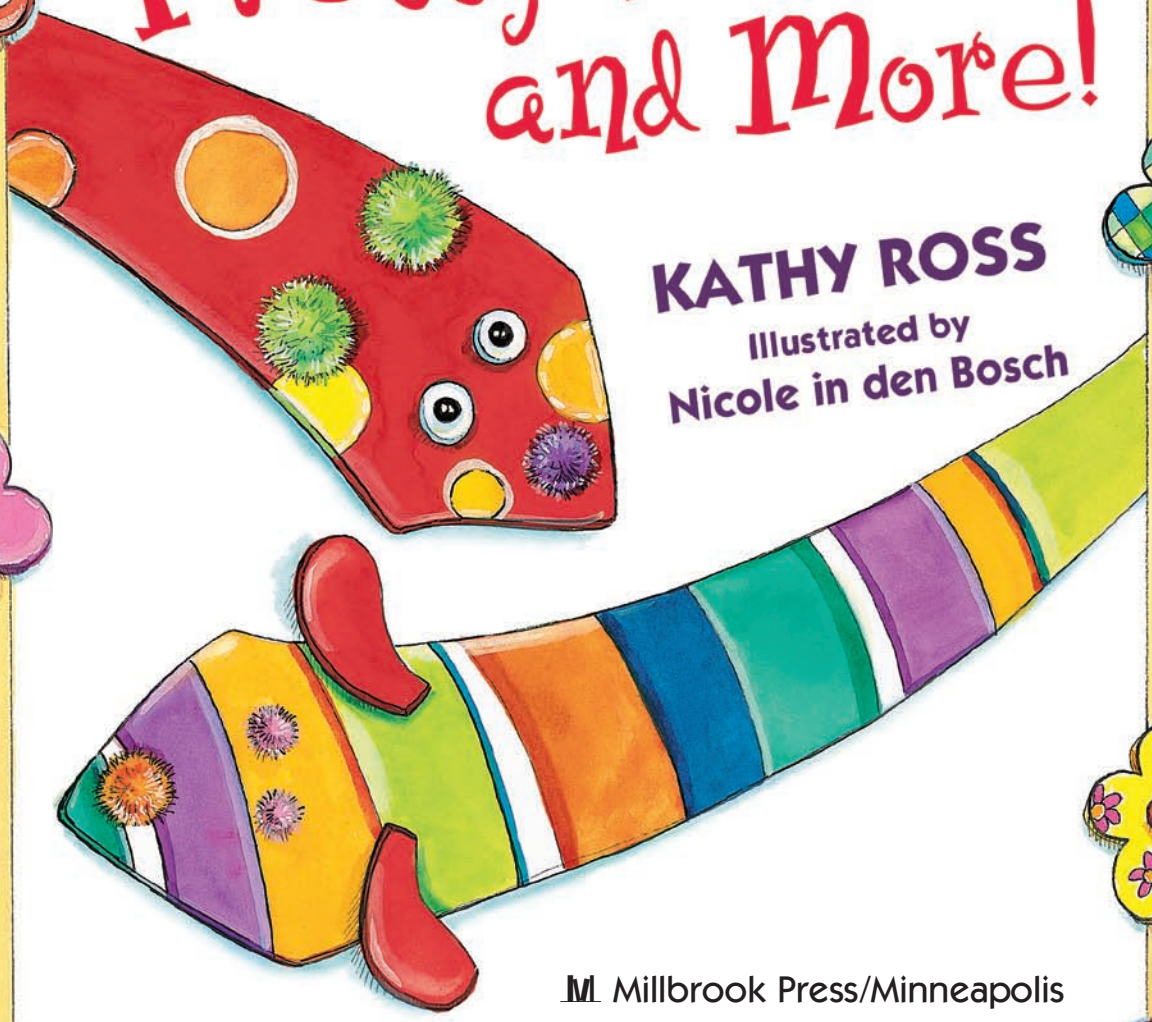

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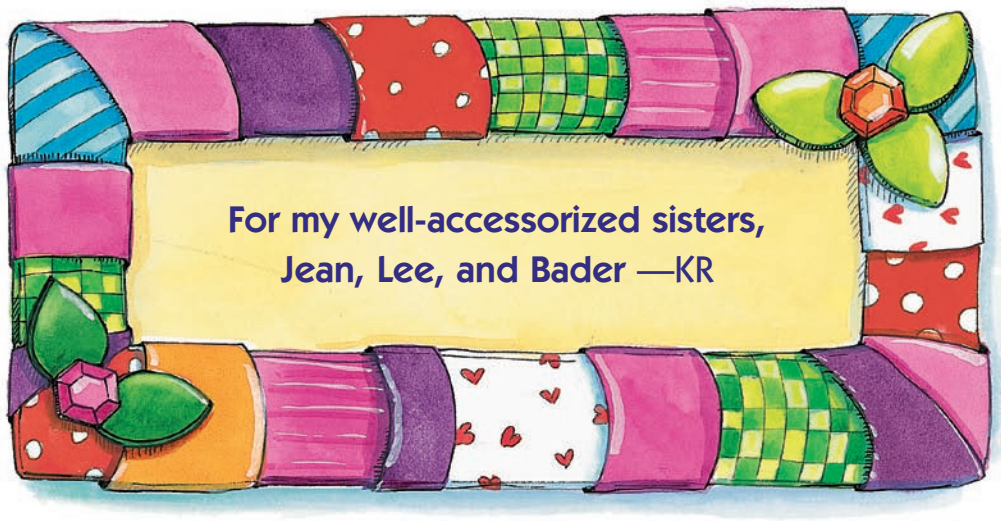

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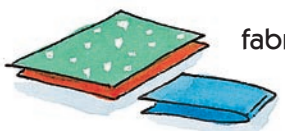
Match your belt to your favorite outfit, using changeable flowers.

Changeable Flower Belt

Here is what you need:

discarded
button-front shirt



fabric scraps

ruler

scissors

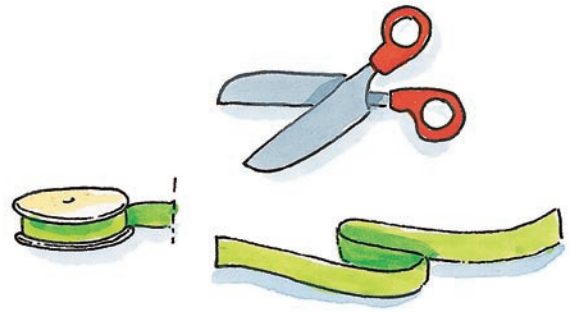
ribbon

white craft glue

Here is what you do:

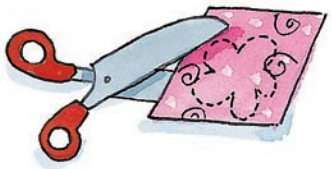
1. Cut a strip of buttons from the front of the shirt, about 12 inches (30 cm) long.

2. Cut a piece of the ribbon long enough to go around your waist and tie into a bow.

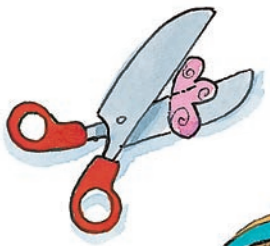


3. Glue the back of the strip of buttons to the ribbon.

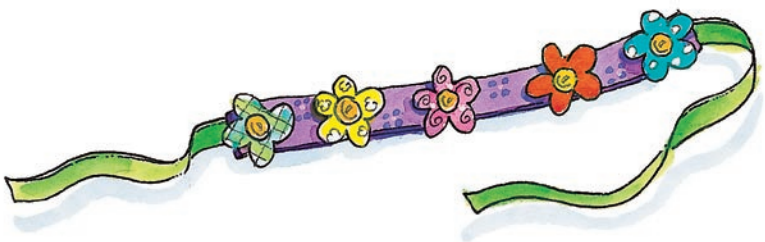
4. Cut 2-inch (5-cm) flower shapes from the fabric scraps.



5. Fold each flower in half. Cut a slit half the size of the button in the center.



6. Slip the flower hole over the button.



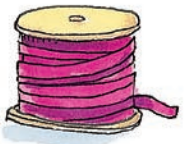
You can cover the belt with flowers that are all different colors or all the same color.

Pin a pet to your coat or collar!

Plush Pet Pin

Here is what you need:

wiggle eyes, tiny beads,
tiny pom-poms, pipe cleaners



thin craft ribbon

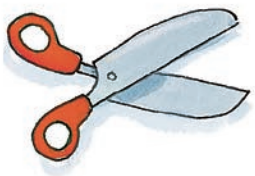
two pom-poms

eyelash yarn

white craft glue

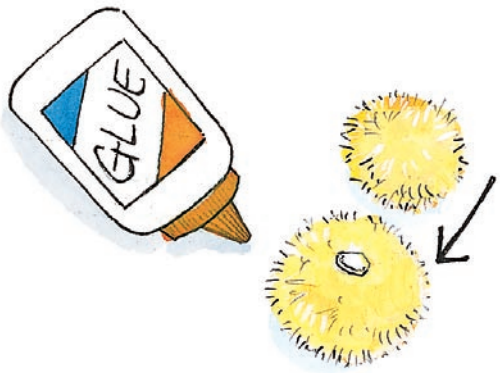
safety pin

scissors

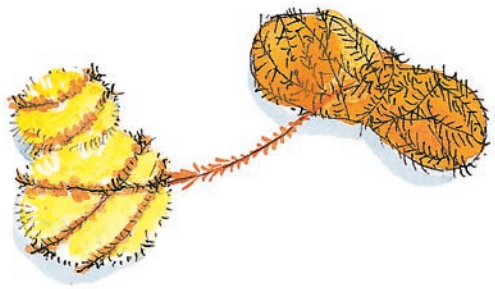


Here is what you do:

1. Glue two pom-poms together to create the head and body.



2. Wrap the entire head and body with eyelash yarn. Secure the ends with a dab of glue.



3. Use the collage materials to give the pet a face on the top pom-pom.

4. Tie a piece of the thin ribbon in a bow beneath the top pom-pom.

5. Slip the safety pin under the neck ribbon at the back of the pet. Close the safety pin.

You could also make a pet bracelet. Pin the pet to the ring of the stretchy cuffed sock used in the next craft.

Put those single socks to good use with this project.

Flower Cuff Bracelet

Here is what you need:

stretchy cuffed sock

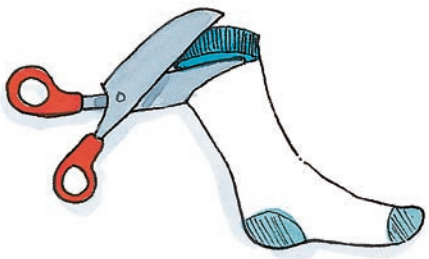
masking tape

artificial flowers

scissors

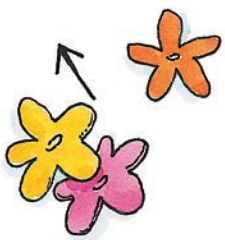
paper fasteners

Here is what you do:



1. Cut a ring from the top of the sock.

2. Pull the center from one or more artificial flowers. Separate the petal layers.



3. Stack two or three different petals on top of each other to form a new flower.

4. Push a paper fastener through the center of the new flower.

5. Push the paper fastener through the center of the cuff.

6. Fold down the two ends of the paper fastener.

7. Cover the back of the paper fastener with masking tape, if needed.

8. Attach one or more flowers to the bracelet.

Try wearing two of these bracelets together to look extra fabulous!

Design your own gold jewelry.

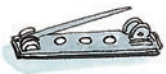
Golden Broach

Here is what you need:

white craft glue

gold spray paint

1¼-inch (3.2-cm) metal-rimmed tag (found in stores' office and scrapbook sections)



pin-back

small shaped beads, small craft flowers, old jewelry pieces

newspaper

Here is what you do:

1. Glue a variety of small items or one larger item to the metal-rimmed tag to make a pin.

2. Working on the newspaper, spray the front of the pin gold. You may want to ask an adult to help you. Be sure to use a mask and goggles. Let the pin dry.

3. You may want to paint the back of the pin for a more finished look.

4. Glue the pin-back to the back of the pin.

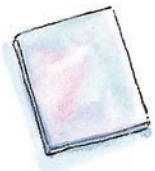
Use silver spray paint to make "silver" jewelry.

Make a pretty decoration to hang from your purse or backpack.

Pegasus Charm

Here is what you need:

small plastic horse from toy farm animal set



white craft foam

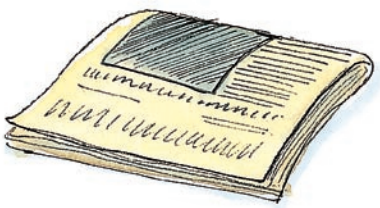
white feather boa scrap

ruler

gold cord

gold metallic embroidery floss

gold spray paint



newspaper

scissors

white craft glue

Here is what you do:

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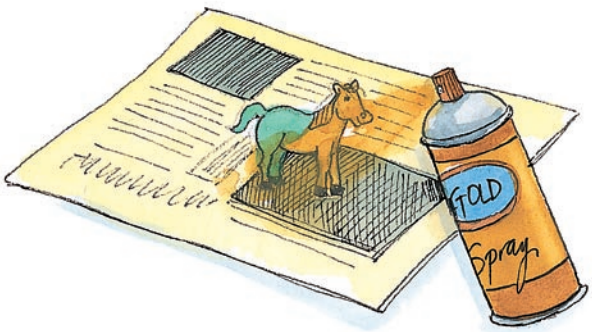
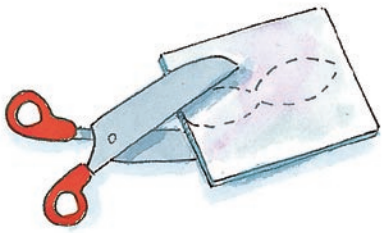


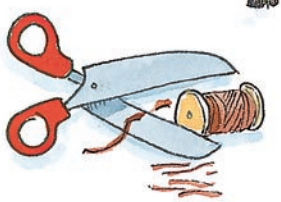
2. Cut a small set of wings from the craft foam.



3. Cut bits of feathers from the boa. Glue the feathers to both sides of the wings.

4. Glue the wings to the horse's back.

5. Cut snips of embroidery floss. Glue them on the horse for the mane, forelock, and tail.



6. Cut an 18-inch (45-cm) piece of the gold cord. Tie the ends together.

7. Slip the tied end of the cord through itself around the horse's neck. Pull tight to create a hanger. Secure with glue. Let dry.

Attach the Pegasus to the handle of your purse or book bag. Try silver spray paint for a different look!

You can stash a house key, change, or other small items inside this bracelet.

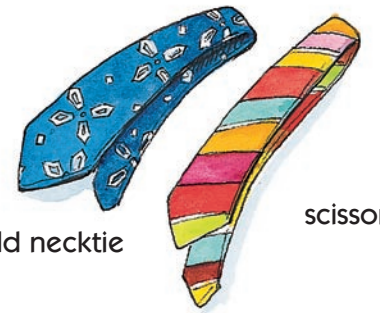
Wrist Pet Purse

Here is what you need:

wiggle eyes

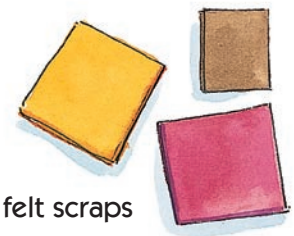
pom-poms

craft gems


old necktie

scissors

white craft glue


felt scraps

sticky-back Velcro dots

Here is what you do:

1. Cut off a piece of the narrow end of the necktie long enough to wrap around your wrist. The point of the tie should overlap the cut end.

2. Glue the cut end of the piece of tie closed. Let dry.

3. Glue a pom-pom or craft gem to the point of the tie for the nose.

4. Glue two wiggle eyes, craft gems, or eyes cut from felt to the tie.

5. Glue pom-pom or felt ears to the tie above the eyes.

6. Press one of the Velcro dots to the back of the point of the tie. Press the second one to the cut end of the tie where the point overlaps.

Have fun designing your own personal pet bracelet.

Turn an old ball cap into a pretty hat.

Gem of a Hat

Here is what you need:

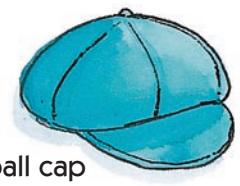
craft paint and paintbrush

ribbon

scissors

white craft glue

newspaper

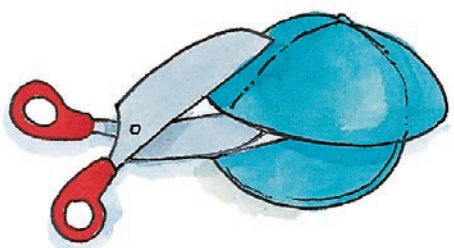


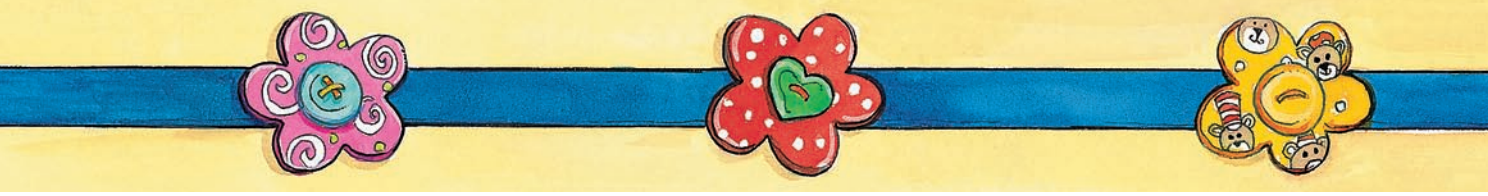
old ball cap

craft gems

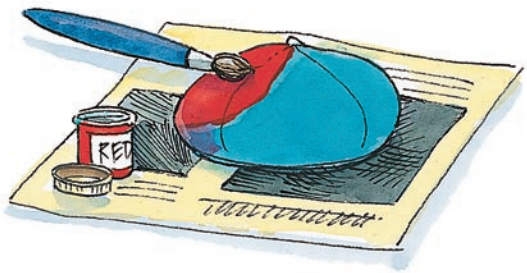
Here is what you do:

1. Cut off the brim of the hat.

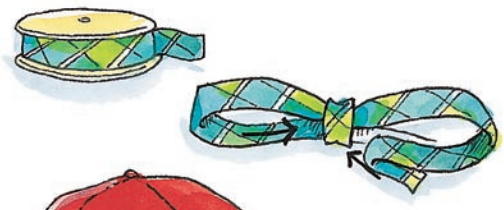




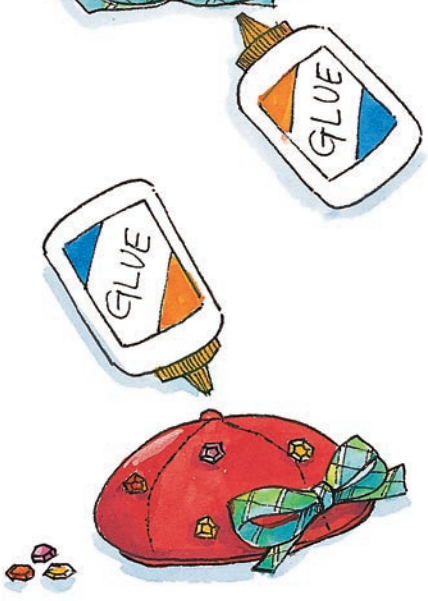
2. Working on the newspaper, paint the hat. Let dry.



3. Make a bow from the ribbon large enough to conceal any logo on the front of the hat. Glue the bow over the logo.



4. Cover the hat with dots of glue and craft gems.



Try using glitter glue to jazz up your hat.

Save those single doll shoes to make fashionable necklaces!

Stylish Shoe Necklace

Here is what you need:

single small doll shoe or boot

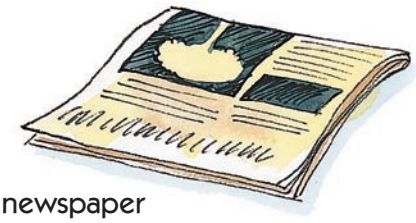
ruler

craft paint, paintbrush

eyelash yarn, thin ribbons, trims

scissors

hole punch



newspaper

seed beads, craft gems

white craft glue

Here is what you do:

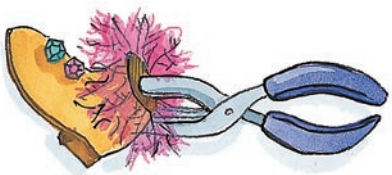
1. Working on the newspaper, paint the shoe or boot.

2. Glue on bits of the ribbons, yarn, trims, gems, and beads.

3. Cut a 2-foot (0.6-m) piece of ribbon or trim. Tie the ends together.

4. If the shoe has an open strap, feed the knotted end through itself around the strap.

5. If the shoe or boot has no strap, use the hole punch to create an opening for the ribbon necklace.



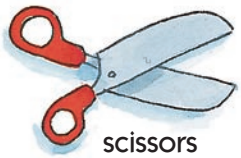
Isn't it fun to be a shoe designer?

Make a one-of-a-kind headband.

Whimsical Headband

Here is what you need:

old T-shirt



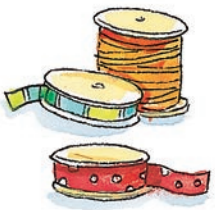
scissors

ruler

pieces of ribbons and trims

fabric scraps

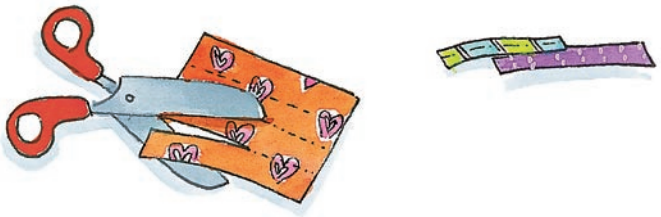
pony beads



Here is what you do:

1. Cut the neckband off the T-shirt.

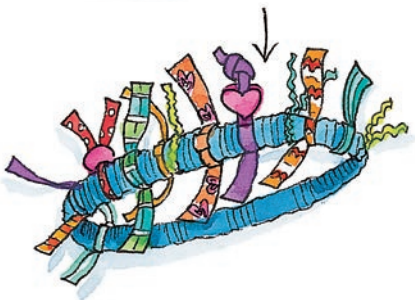
2. Cut many 1- by 6-inch (15-cm) strips of fabric.



3. Cut many 6-inch (15-cm) pieces of ribbons and trims.

4. Tie each of the fabric strips, ribbons, and trims along one-half of the neckband so that the two ends are equal.

5. Slip one or more pony beads on some of the ribbons. Knot the ends to keep them from slipping off.



You can shorten the strips and create a short, spiky look!

Wear your keys on a ribbon around your neck or attach them to a key chain.

Cute Key Cover

Here is what you need:

craft gems

key

stretchy knit glove

scissors

metal-rimmed tag

white craft glue

Here is what you do:

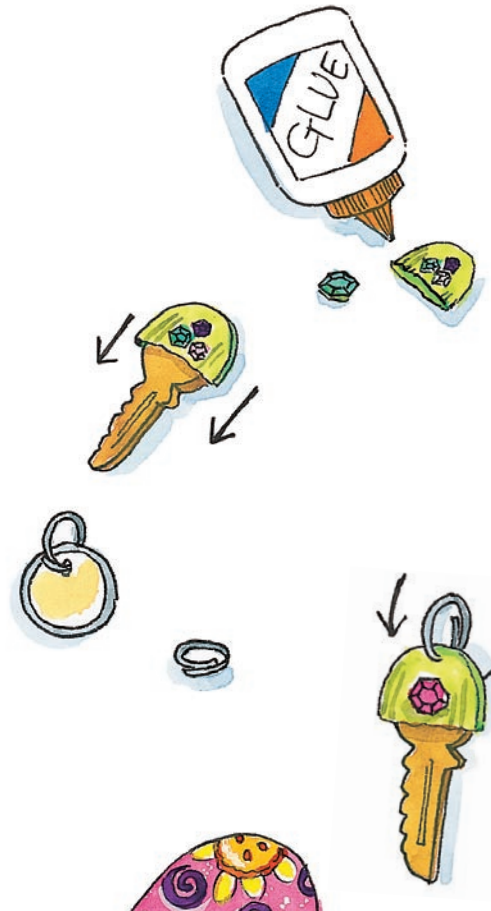
1. Cut the fingertip off a glove.

2. Glue one or more craft gems to the side of the fingertip.

3. Slip the cover over the top of the key.

4. Slip the round wire off the metal-rimmed tag.

5. Poke the end of the round wire through the top of the cover and the hole in the top of the key.



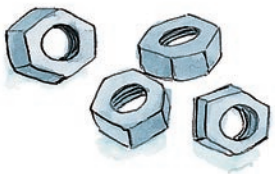
If you carry more than one key, decorate each key cover differently so you can tell the keys apart.

This project is both useful and fun to play with.

Changing-Design Key Fob

Here is what you need:

permanent markers



four six-sided metal nuts

12-inch (30-cm) pipe cleaner

metal craft hook

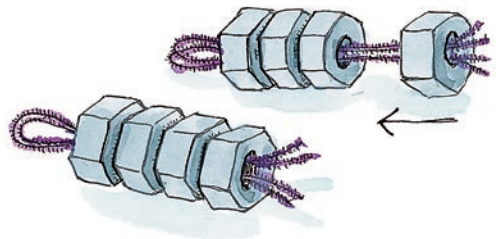
scissors

Here is what you do:

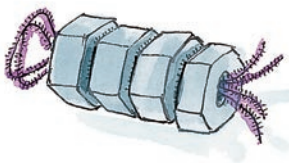
1. Cut the pipe cleaner in half.

2. Fold the two pieces in half.

3. Slip the four metal nuts on the pipe cleaners. Fold over the pipe cleaner ends to keep the nuts from sliding off.



4. Spread out the rounded pipe cleaner end to keep the nuts from sliding off.



5. Line up the sides of the nuts.

6. Use the markers to draw a design on each of the four flat surfaces.

7. Draw a different design on each set of sides of the nuts.

8. Attach the metal craft hook to the rounded end.

Because the nuts will spin, you can mix and match the various patterns.

This little change purse slips right into your pocket.

Pocket Purse

Here is what you need:

artificial flower with leaves

clothespins

old shirt or blouse with button cuff

thin green craft ribbon

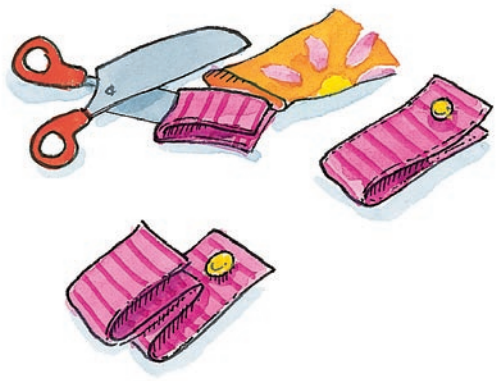
white craft glue

scissors

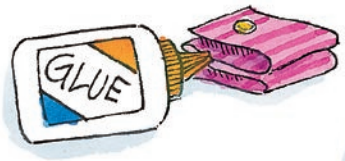
Here is what you do:

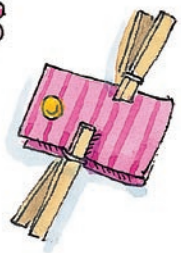
1. Cut off one of the shirt's cuffs.

2. Fold the cuff in half with the button on the inside. Button the cuff.



3. Fold the center of the cuff up inside itself to create two compartments in the purse.





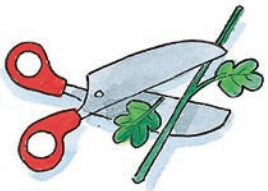
4. Glue the edges of both sides of the purse together. Secure with clothespins. Let dry.

5. Pull the artificial flower apart to separate the layers of petals.

6. Choose two or more layers of petals. Cut slits in the centers. Unbutton the cuff. Glue the slits around the buttonhole.

7. Cut a flower stem from the ribbon. Glue on the stem.

8. Cut two small leaves from the artificial flower. Glue on the leaves.



Slip coins in one side of the purse and bills in the other side.

Use eyelash yarn to make fabulous jewelry!

Textured Jewelry

Here is what you need:

eyelash yarn

12-inch (30-cm) pipe cleaners

pony beads

scissors

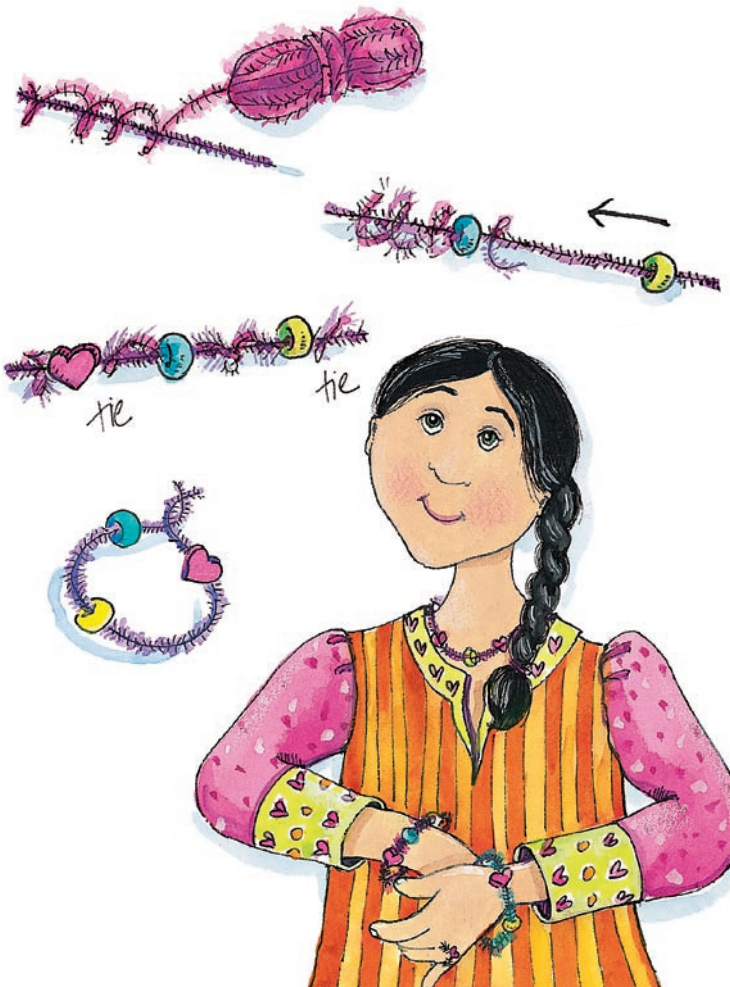
Here is what you do:

1. Wrap eyelash yarn around a pipe cleaner.

2. Add pony beads to the bracelet as you wrap it.

3. Tie off the ends to secure. Trim ends.

4. Wrap the pipe cleaner ends around each other to create a circle that just slips over your hand.

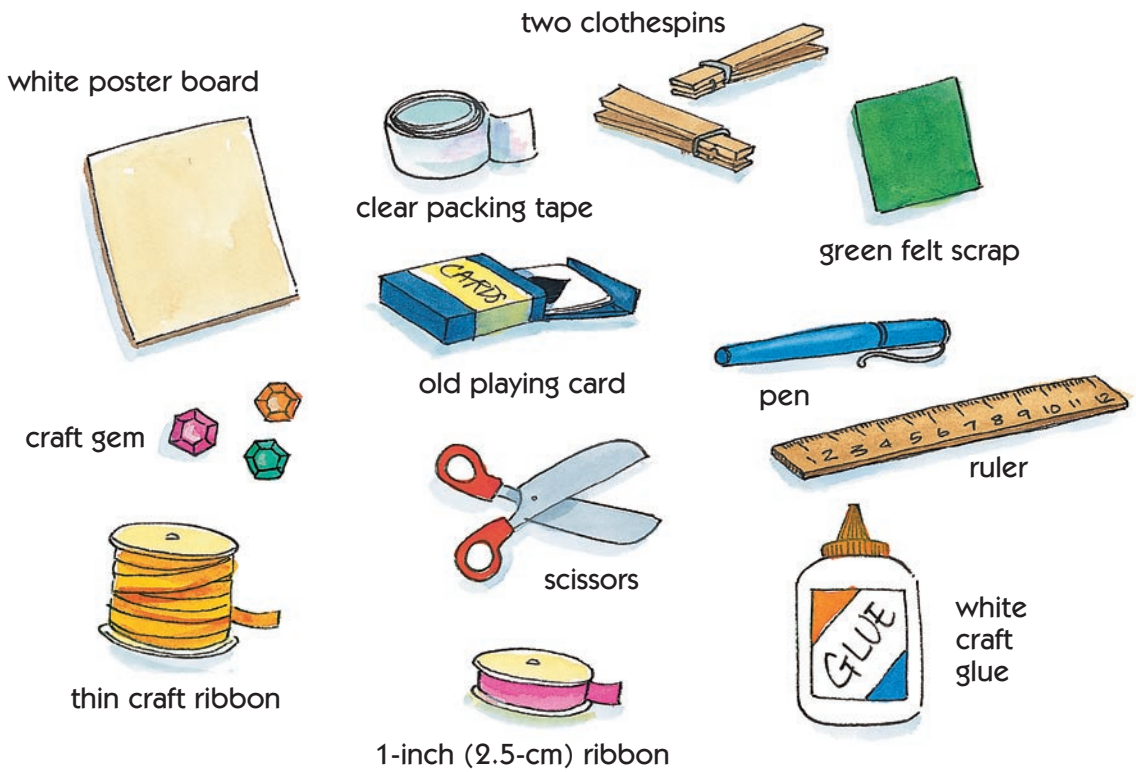


Make a ring from a small piece of pipe cleaner to match your bracelet. Make a matching necklace by twisting two pipe cleaners together.

Identify your backpack or beach bag with a stylish ID tag.

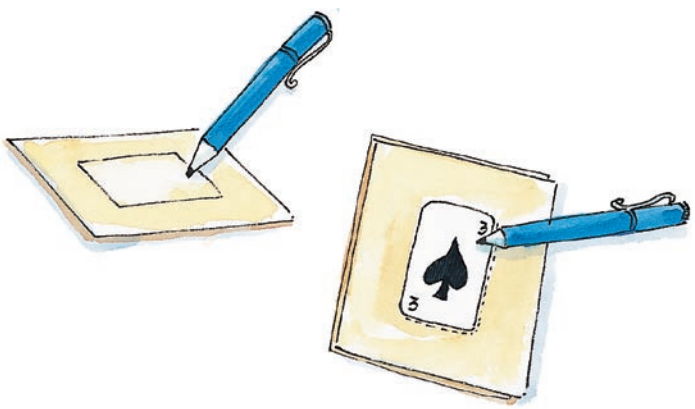
Pretty ID Tag

Here is what you need:

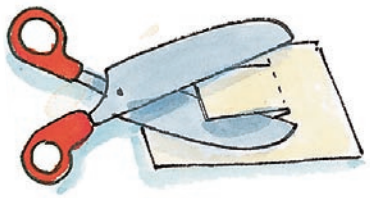


Here is what you do:

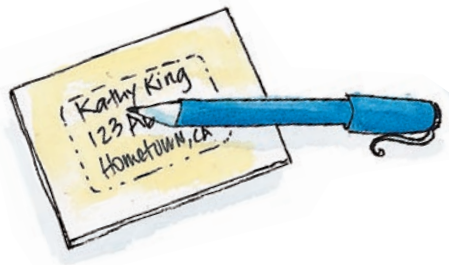
1. With a pen, trace around the playing card twice on the poster board. Cut out the two shapes.



2. Cut the center from one of the pieces so that there is a ¾-inch (2-cm) frame.

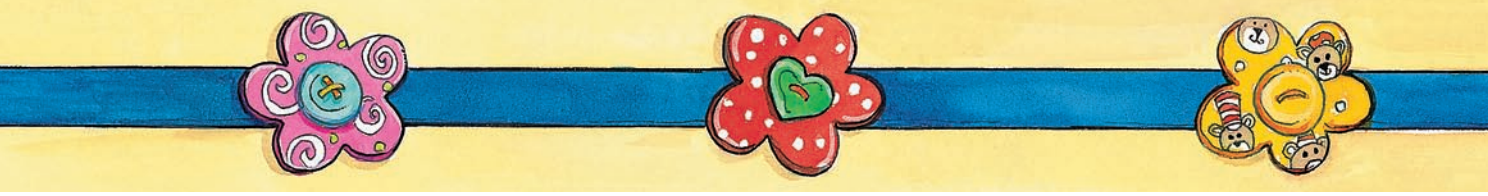


3. Set the frame over the second piece. Write your name, address, and phone number in the framed space.

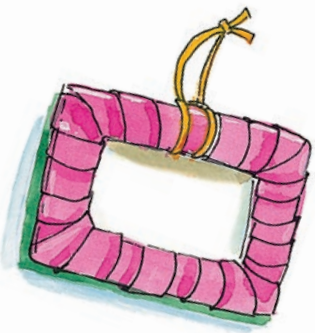


4. Cover the writing with clear packing tape.

5. Wrap the frame with the 1-inch (2.5-cm) ribbon. Glue the two ends down. Secure with the clothespins. Let dry.



6. Cut a 14-inch (35-cm) piece of the thin craft ribbon. Tie the ends in a knot.



7. Loop the thin ribbon around the top of the frame.

8. Glue the frame to the back piece of the ID tag. Secure with the clothespins. Let dry.

9. Cut two leaves from the felt. Glue the leaves on the bottom corner of the frame. Glue a craft gem between the leaves.

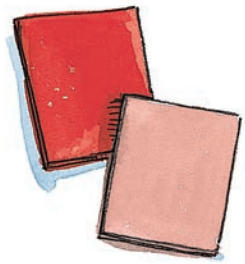
Use different colored ribbons for a patchwork effect. An ID tag can be useful if you ever lose your bag.

Turn your own artwork into one-of-a-kind pins.

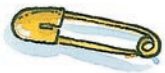
Stuffed Art Pin

Here is what you need:

two pieces of fabric



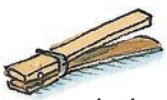
safety pin



permanent markers

cotton balls

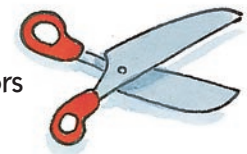
seed beads

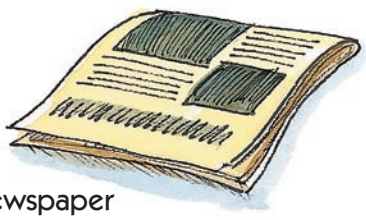


clothespin

white craft glue

scissors





newspaper

Here is what you do:

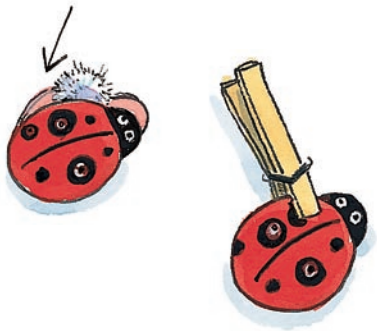
1. Working on a thick padding of newspaper, use the permanent markers to draw and color a small picture on the fabric.

2. Squeeze a thin line of glue around the edge of the three sides of the picture.

3. Glue the picture to a second piece of fabric. Let dry.

4. Cut out the picture.

5. Glue on seed beads to decorate the pin. Stuff the picture with a few cotton balls.



6. Glue the opening shut. Secure with a clothespin. Let dry.

7. Pin the safety pin to the back of the fabric.

Try making a lapel pin for each of your favorite holidays!

Decorate your sneakers with these cute clips.

Butterfly Sneaker Clips

Here is what you need:

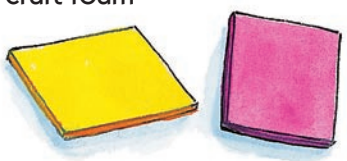
two small binder clips

craft gems

bump chenille stem

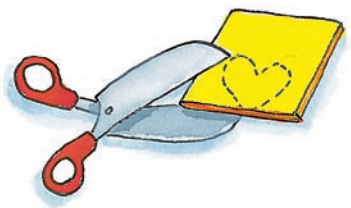
scissors

white craft glue

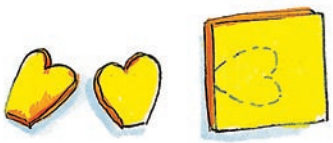
craft foam 

Here is what you do:

1. Cut a butterfly wing shape from the foam to cover one of the handles of the binder clip.

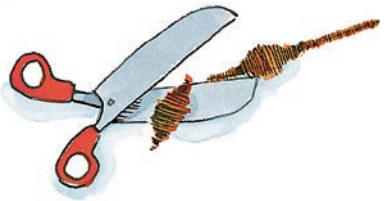


2. Cut three more wing shapes identical to the first one.



3. Glue two wing shapes together with a handle of the clip between the two wings. Do this to the other handle. Let dry.

4. Cut a piece from the bump chenille stem that includes one bump and the thin part of the pipe cleaner on each end.



5. Fold the bump in half for the body of the butterfly, spreading the two ends out to look like antennas.

6. Glue the body to the binder clip between the two wings.

7. Glue craft gems to the wings.

8. Make a second butterfly for your other shoe.

Clip a butterfly to the laces of each sneaker.

This project is charming!

Sparkling Charm Bracelet

Here is what you need:

Scissors

pony beads

two silver sparkle stems

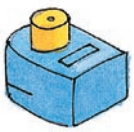
ruler

paper clips

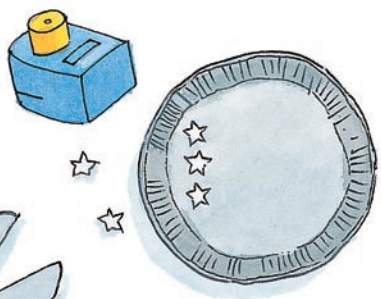
metallic embroidery floss

disposable aluminum pie tin

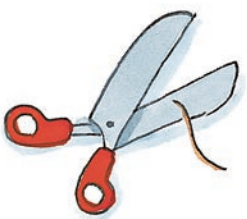
white craft glue


shaped hole punch

Here is what you do:



1. Punch five pairs of shapes from the bottom of the pie tin.

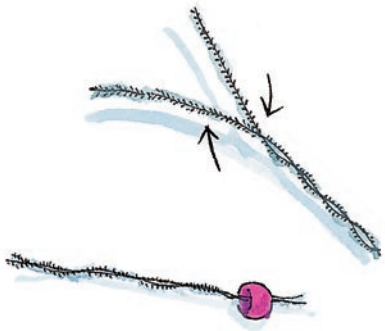


2. Cut a 1-inch (2.5-cm) piece from the embroidery floss.

3. Unravel the strands of embroidery floss.

4. Fold a single strand in half. Glue the ends in between two similar charm shapes. Secure with a paper clip. Let dry.

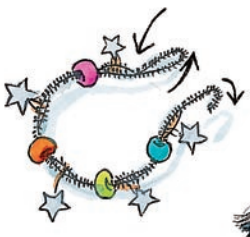
5. Hold the two sparkle stems together. Wrap them around each other once 4 inches (10 cm) from the end.



6. Slide a pony bead on the bracelet.

7. Slide the loop of the first charm on the bracelet, and wrap the two sparkle stems again to secure the charm.

8. Continue adding beads and charms until all the charms are on the bracelet. Leave 4 inches (10 cm) of stem on the opposite end.



9. Twist the stems together on the opposite end. Fold it into a loop. Fold the other end into a hook.

You can make a bracelet with more charms by spacing the charms closer together.

Take your favorite animal with you wherever you go!

Pet Gloves

Here is what you need:

a pair of stretchy gloves

2 tiny pom-poms

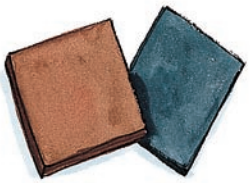
2 ½-inch (1.3-cm) pom-poms

tiny wiggle eyes

thread

ruler

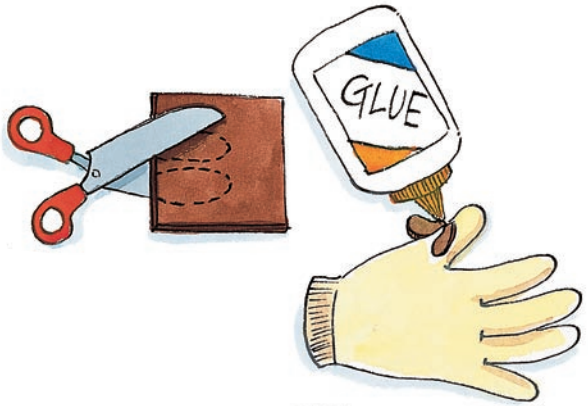
scissors



felt scraps

white craft glue

Here is what you do to make a dog glove:



1. Cut two ears from the felt. Glue them on each side of the thumb of a glove.

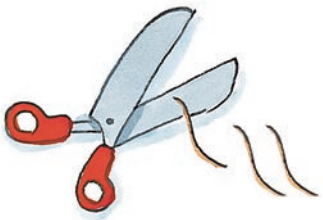
2. Glue on two wiggle eyes.

3. Glue on a tiny pom-pom for the nose.

Here is what you do to make a mouse:

1. Glue the two ½-inch (1.3-cm) pom-pom ears on the thumb of the other glove.

2. Glue on the two wiggle eyes.



3. Cut three 1½-inch (3.8-cm) pieces of thread for the whiskers.

4. Glue on the center of the whiskers, below the eyes.

5. Glue the tiny pom-pom over the center of the whiskers for the nose.

You might have an idea for turning your gloves into different pets, like a cat, a horse, or a bear.

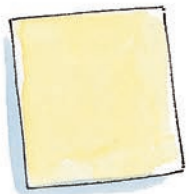
Make a whole kennel of mini-autograph hounds to collect signatures and messages from your friends before summer break.

Autograph Hound

Here is what you need:

2 1¾-inch (3.8-cm) plastic milk caps

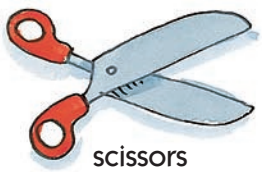
2 wiggle eyes



white paper

felt scraps

small rubber band



scissors

white craft glue

string

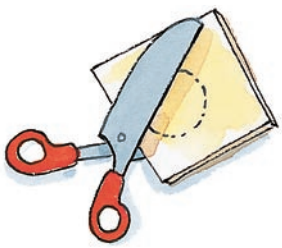
tiny pom-pom

thin ribbon

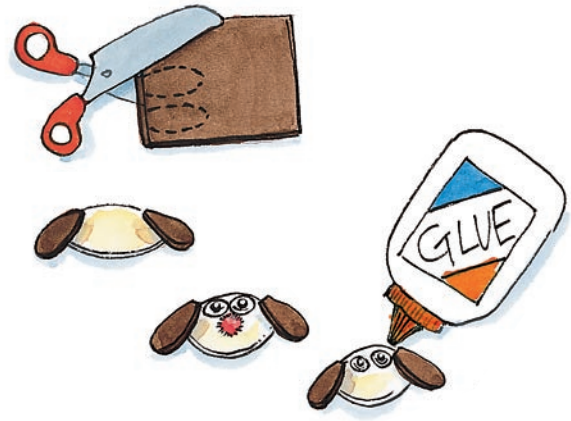
ruler

Here is what you do:

1. Cut a 1-inch (2.5-cm) circle from the felt.

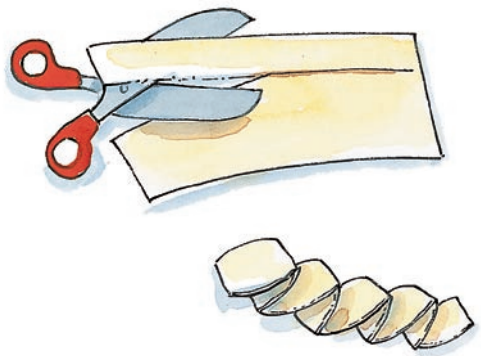


2. Cut two dog ears from a different-colored felt scrap.



3. Glue on the ears, the wiggle eyes, and the pom-pom nose. This is the felt head.

4. Cut a ¾-inch (2-cm) strip of paper. Fold the paper back and forth like a fan. Cut the corners of the folded paper to make an oval shape.



5. Glue one end of the fanned paper to the inside of a cap. Glue the other end of the fanned paper into the inside of the other cap.

6. Hold the edges of the two caps together and secure with the rubber band across the middle. This will be the dog collar.

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7. Cut a 6-inch (15-cm) piece of thin ribbon. Tie it into a bow on the dog collar. Trim the ends.

8. Glue the felt head above the collar.

9. Glue a 1-inch (2.5-cm) piece of string sticking up from the other cap. This is the dog's tail.

This little dresser dish is perfect for holding small jewelry items.

Flower Dresser Dish

Here is what you need:

white craft glue

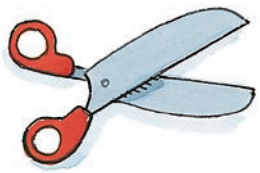
paper fastener

artificial rose with leaves

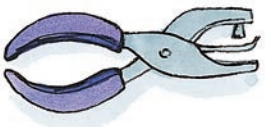
ruler

thin craft ribbon

scissors



small hole punch



Here is what you do:

1. Pull out the flower center. Separate the largest petal layers.

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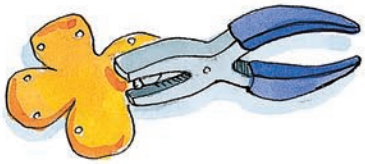
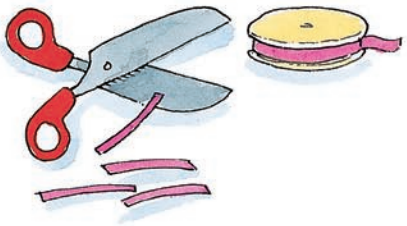
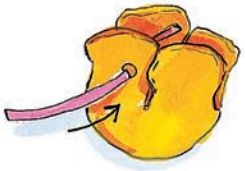
2. Use the hole punch to punch a small hole on each side of the petals, one-quarter of the way down from the top.



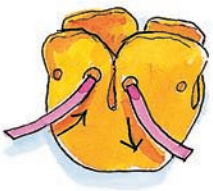
3. Cut four 6-inch (15-cm) pieces of the thin ribbon.



4. Thread a ribbon through the hole, from the back to the inside of the petal.



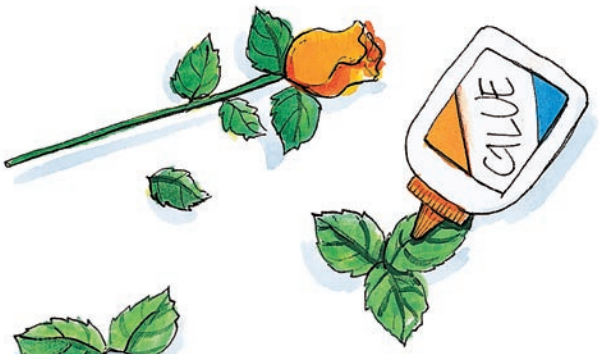
5. Thread the other end through the next petal, from the inside to the back.



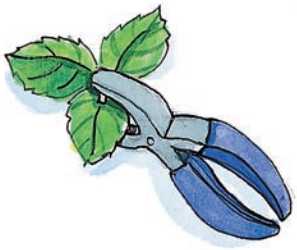
6. Tie the ribbon ends into a bow.

7. Tie the remaining petals together to shape the flower bowl.

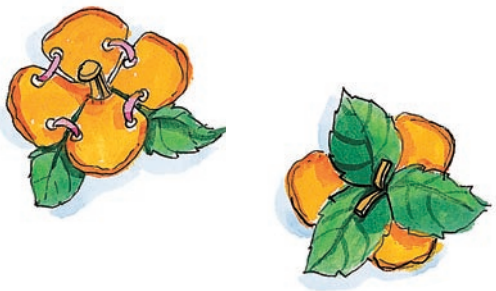
8. Remove three leaves from the stem of the artificial flower. If they are not attached, glue the centers together.



9. Punch a small hole in the center of the leaves.



10. Slip a paper fastener through the inside center of the flower bowl and the center of the leaves.



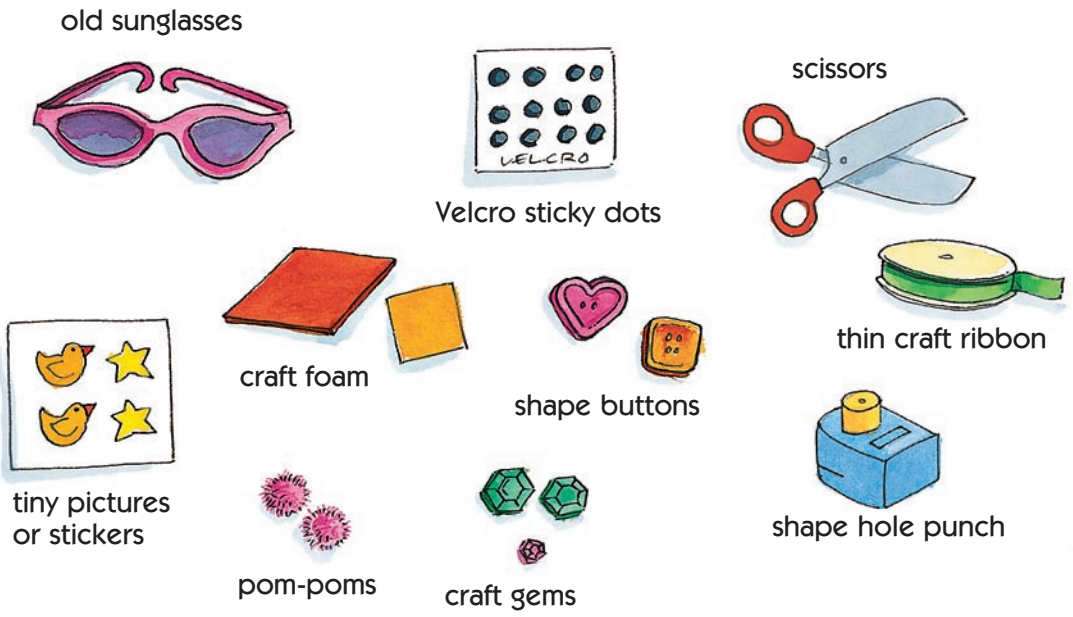
11. Bend the fastener ends flat.

You might want to make several flower bowls in different colors and display them together on your dresser.

Update your old sunglasses with this idea.

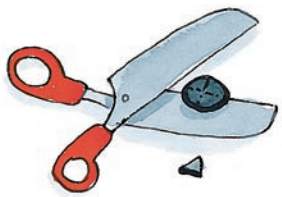
Superspecial Sunglasses

Here is what you need:



Here is what you do:

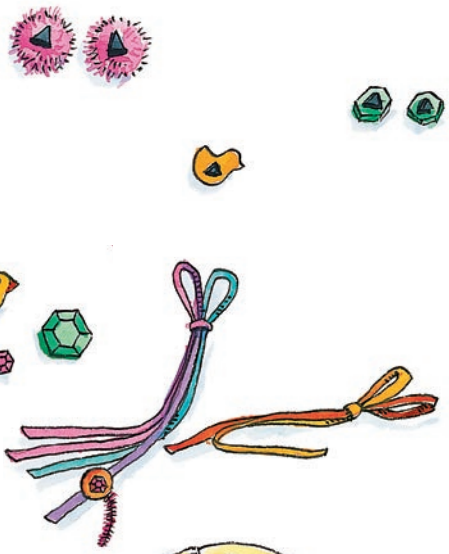
1. Cut the hook half of a pair of Velcro sticky dots into four sections.



2. Stick the pieces on the top of each side of the front of the sunglasses.

3. Stick another piece on each side of the bow of the sunglasses, as shown.

4. Make several sets of different decorations from ribbons, gems, buttons, craft foam shapes, pom-poms, or stickers. (Use shape hole punch to make shapes from the craft foam.)



5. Cut the loop half of a pair of velcro sticky dots into four sections. Attach the decorations to the loop half of the Velcro pieces. Then stick the pieces onto your sunglasses.

You could also use your own miniature art to decorate your sunglasses.

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